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Sent: Fri 2/19/2016 7:25:38 PM **Subject:** Animas River health

Hi Christie,

Hope all is well. I'm looking into the current health of the Animas River. I saw on the <u>FAQ</u> page that the EPA doesn't anticipate any adverse health effects to humans, livestock, or agriculture, and data on the impact on fish is promising, though long-term acid mine run-off has been detrimental to fish populations.

Could you please comment on the overall health of the Animas River in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and the Navajo Nation? I'm interested in the current quality and the long term quality, as well as the influence the Gold King Mine spill had on both of those.

I think I have a good understanding after doing extensive reading, but I'd like to be certain.

Thanks,

Ethan

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